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**Suggestions for Handling Film
Handling Problems**

REFERENCE: DFD-4385-59, dated 25 June 1959

1. In paragraph 18, Tab H of referenced memorandum, mention was made of problems in transporting film. It is believed that the "dishing" problem could be handled by: (a) using larger boxes to hold the film cans, (b) that each individual box be filled with the proper shock absorbing foamed plastic with a form fitting recess which would allow the insertion of a can of film (Note: the plastic could not be foamed around each individual can due to the heat generated), (c) each spool of film would have to be firmly fitted in and packed in its can to eliminate any vibration within the can itself.

2. The first necessary step in operating a White Glove laboratory is the timely and proper handling of the original negative material as soon as it leaves the coating alleys. The use of couriers to insure the delivery and proper handling of both raw film and exposed film should be mandatory since this will at least be a step in the right direction to preserve the resolution capabilities of the emulsion until it is exposed and processed.

3. It is recommended that immediate action be taken to institute courier delivery of film, expensive and scarce equipment and any other equipment that the normal supply channels are so prone to damage.

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